

5 **CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

1. A computer-implemented method for displaying one or more tagged data items proximate to a result of a search of an electronic document, comprising the steps of:
 locating one or more of the search results generated by the search of the
10 electronic document;

 identifying each of the tagged data items present in the electronic document within a distance from each search result; and
 displaying the one or more tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result.

15 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the distance from each search result comprises the distance between a first paragraph mark and a second paragraph mark, wherein one or more of the search results are located between the first paragraph mark and the second paragraph mark within the electronic document.

20 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the one or more tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result are displayed by a user interface in a window separate from a window displaying content of the electronic document.

25 4. The method of claim 3 wherein any of the tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result are displayed at the top of the separate window and the one or more search results are displayed beneath the displayed tagged data items.

30 5. The method of claim 3 wherein each tagged item identified as within the distance from one or more search result is displayed adjacent to the search result in the separate window.

5 6. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of determining the tagged data items present in the electronic document within a distance from each search result that comprise a subset of relevant tagged data items based on the nature of a search term prior to display the tagged data items.

10 7. The method of claim 1 wherein each tagged data item is displayed as a hyperlink and each hyperlink corresponds to a location in the electronic document containing of the tagged data item.

 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the one or more tagged data items belong
15 to one or more categories of data.

 9. The method of claim 8 wherein the categories of data comprise people's names, physical addresses, e-mail addresses, universal resource locators, dates, and telephone numbers.

20 10. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of identifying each of the tagged data items present in the electronic document within a distance from each search result further comprises the steps of:

 calculating the distance between each search result and each tagged data
25 item; and
 determining if the calculated distance is less than a distance criterion.

 11. The method of claim 10 wherein the distance criterion is a number of lines of text.

30 12. The method of claim 10 wherein the distance criterion is a number of alphanumeric characters.

- 5 13. The method of claim 1 wherein the distance from each search result comprises a distance based on grammatical rules of a language comprising the electronic document.

5 14. A computer-implemented method for identifying one or more tagged data
items proximate to a result of a search of an electronic document, comprising the steps of:
 completing the search of the electronic document;
 locating each result of the search within the electronic document; and
 determining if one or more of the tagged data items are present in the
10 electronic document within a distance from each search result, wherein the distance
comprises a location of the one or more tagged data items relative to each search result.

 15. The method of claim 14 wherein the distance from each search result
comprises the distance between a first paragraph mark and a second paragraph mark,
15 wherein one or more of the search results are located between the first paragraph mark
and the second paragraph mark.

 16. The method of claim 14 wherein the distance from each search result
comprises a distance based on grammatical rules of a language comprising the electronic
20 document.

 17. The method of claim 14 wherein the distance from each search result
comprises the distance set by a user.

25 18. The method of claim 14 wherein the one or more tagged data items belong
to one or more categories of data.

 19. The method of claim 18 wherein the categories of data comprise people's
names, physical addresses, e-mail addresses, universal resource locators, dates, and
30 telephone numbers.

5 20. A computer-readable storage device storing a set of computer-executable instructions implementing a method for displaying one or more tagged data items proximate to a result of a search of an electronic document, comprising the steps of:

 locating one or more of the search results generated by the search of the electronic document;

10 identifying each of the tagged data items present in the electronic document within a distance from each search result; and

 displaying on a user interface the one or more tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result, wherein the one or more tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result are displayed in a window
15 separate from a window displaying content of the electronic document.

 21. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein the distance from each search result comprises the distance between a first paragraph mark and a second paragraph mark, wherein one or more of the search results are located between
20 the first paragraph mark and the second paragraph mark.

 22. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein the distance from each search result comprises a distance based on grammatical rules of a language comprising the electronic document.

25 23. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein any of the tagged items identified as within the distance from each search result are displayed at the top of the separate window and the one or more search results are displayed beneath the displayed tagged data items.

30 24. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein each tagged item identified as within the distance from one or more search result is displayed adjacent to the search result in the separate window.

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25. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 further comprising the step of determining the tagged data items present in the electronic document within a distance from each search result that comprise a subset of relevant tagged data items based on the nature of a search term prior to display the tagged data items.

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26. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein each tagged data item is displayed as a hyperlink and each hyperlink corresponds to a location in the electronic document containing of the tagged data item.

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27. The computer-readable storage device of claim 20 wherein the one or more tagged data items belong to one or more categories of data.

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28. The computer-readable storage device of claim 27 wherein the categories of data comprise people's names, physical addresses, e-mail addresses, universal resource locators, dates, and telephone numbers.